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MASSACHUSETTS RIFLE ASSOCIATION

Vol. VII, No 3, - February 1960

The next meeting of the Board of Directors will be held on Tuesday, March 1st, at 8:00 p.m., at the Club.

MEMBERSHIP IN THE NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION

In our last few bulletins we have mentioned the importance of our members being members of the National Rifle Association. We want to stress that

point again! Quite a few of our members are members, and in order for your officers to find out the percentage of members against non-members, we are enclosing a post card questionnaire, which we hope you will check and put in the return mail. We want to know.

Your Board of Directors are going to make a concentrated push to have our members affiliate themselves with the National organization. For those who are not members, you might ask, "Why should I join, and what do I get out of it?"

Well, here goes - you asked for it!

At the present time there are more than 300,000 gun owners (hunters, shooters, etc., affiliated as members).... the organization keeps you posted on any attempts that might be made to limit your right to own or use firearms.... your personal gun and shooting problems are solved by correspondence with the National office....makes you eligible to purchase government surplus guns and shooting equipment at cost-to-government prices....dozens of year-round recreational shooting programs are held, with shooting and hunting awards made.... a national classification system for target shooters...and many other worth-while advantages ... PLUS - and it's the BIG plus - a subscription to the magazine - AMERICAN RIFLEMAN. Without a doubt, member or not, you have perused this grand magazine. Now it can be yours, along with all the other advantages for just \$4.00 a year. Is it easy to join? Sure - all you have to do is send your name on your check for the \$4.00 mentioned, to Secretary John Weiss, 100 Baldwin Avenue, Woburn, and YOU'RE IN! It's as easy as that! And your membership, along with the thousands of others, is what makes your hobby as a shooter worthwhile. JOIN TODAY - DON'T PUT IT OFF ANOTHER MINUTE!

THIS MUST BE SAID - Dues are due! If you have not as yet paid your 1960 dues,

AND YOU CAN HELP now is the time to do so. Dues are the life-blood of an organization, and your check will be the blood we need. Please
take care of this obligation at once and get your button. Remember - this button
MUST be worn on your outer garments at all times while on the range. To make it
easier for you, here's the treasurer's name and address

John F. Roberts,

32 Varnum Park,

Waltham 54, Mass.

ATTENTION - ALL MEMBERS

Be sure to register before you start to shoot; and please do not forget to put out all lights before you leave the range! And while we have your attention

may we remind you that the Eastern Massachusetts Rifle League matches will start the latter part of April, with all matches to be contested at Camp Curtis Guild, Wakefield If you're interested in participating in these matches, let it be known at the Club. And Harold Thompson, who captains the Pistol team, has asked for more support. The members practice every Tuesday night at the Club, and if interested, you are welcome.

President Pete Mattson wants to express his thanks to all who SOME O' THIS 'N THAT sent him cards and flowers during his stay at the hospital Let's all congratulate Harold Dingley who, we hear by the grapevine, was recently married. Lots of good luck!... Mrs. Harold Thompson, who has been hospitalized twice in the last several months, is on the recovery road. Harold has not been too well himself. Our belated best wishes for speedy recovery....Orris Gerrish, long time member, is now at the Kirby Rest Home, 50 Madison Street, Malden. Send him a card of cheer, or better still, stop in and visit him.... It might be well for us to give some thought to the improvement of our facilities. The days of the outdoor range may soon be a thing of the past, and our thinking must be along progressive lines. That's what population progress can do. But - give it some thought!...And don't forget to put the enclosed questionnaire card in the next mail. We'd like to have the information for our records....and....Directors, don't forget the meeting on Tuesday, March 1st, at 8:00 p.m.... Oh yes, we have seven new members. They are: Henry Bucci, Ed Russell, Ed Bradford, Bill Both, Richard Dawson, Aley Butcher, and back with us is Doc Stetson. Greetings to all, and come up often! The Target Boy



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The next meeting of the Board of Directors will be held on Tuesday, April 5th, 1960, at 8:00 p.m. at the Club.

COME ON, YOU SHOOTERS! In our last bulletin we devoted considerable space to the importance of our members being affiliated with the National Rifle Association. We also included a questionnaire card which we asked you to fill out and return in the next mail. We did pretty well, but if you have not already done so, will you please drop the card in the mail today? Thank you!

....AND DUES ARE DUE

If you are one of the few who have not yet paid your dues,
now is the time to take care of it, as the time is fast
running out! Our Treasurer, John F. Roberts, 32 Varnum Park, Waltham 54, Mass. has
your button ready to mail upon receipt of your check in the amount of \$11.90.

SOME O' THIS 'N THAT Your good deed for the day might be a visit to Cap Gerrish, who is now residing at the Kirby Rest Home, 50 Madison Street, Malden. He will be happy to see you..... Notice the item in the Woburn Daily Times about the PAL Rifle Club - who hold their practice shooting at our Club range each Thursday night - made an impressive showing in a match with Rogers Memorial High School in Providence, Rhode Island. So much so that they have a standing invitation by the Providence Military College to a rifle shooting match....Your Board of Directors again gave the 'green light' to Cub Pack #6, of Winchester, to hold their usual program at our Club rooms. If you would like to see real enthusiasm, come over on any Monday night. Their last meeting was attended by 23 Cubs, accompanied by eight fathers.... While mentioning the Board of Directors, you are reminded that any member is welcome to attend any Board meeting. Come to a meeting and be brought up to date on the complete operation of the business of the Association, which includes the Secretary's and Treasurer's reports.... There was considerable discussion on the proposition of a new club house and indoor range at our last meeting. Your Board of Directors will, in the near future, ask for your wishes on this subject. Think about it now.

WHAT'S ALL THE SHOOTIN! On April 9 and 23, Saturday afternoon from 2:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., we will hold tryout matches in preparation for the Eastern Massachusetts Matches, Curtis Guild, Wakefield. Course of fire will be the same - two sighters, and twenty shots for record; any rifle, iron sights, 3 lb. trigger, telescope if you are 60 or over. Prizes will be 30.06 ammo., amount to be determined by the number of entries. Entry fee, \$1.00; place, M.R.A. If you are interested in shooting in the Eastern Mass. matches, it is important that you attend one of these tryout matches. The Annual Matches of the Eastern Mass. Rifle League will be held at Camp Gurtis Guild, Wakefield on April 30, May 7, May 14, June 11 and June 18. If you are interested in shooting in these matches, please signify by registering your name on the blackboard at the Club, or contact Pete Matson. The teams will be selected from those who register. Ammo will be furnished. Prizes will be awarded for first, second and third place teams. Also B Division team if 20 or more entries.....Each member who wishes to shoot the qualification will be issued 60 rounds 30.06 ammo, which must be used for this purpose Our Gallery Team will shoot off a tie for third place with Arlington on March 18. We need new shooters on the team, so if you are interested in this type of shooting, better start training for it now. November will be here again before we realize it. A few more shooters would make it possible to have a team in each division next season.... The State Pistol Indoor Championship will be held at the Eastern Club, in Lynn, on April 2nd and 3rd. The United Service Matches, at Curtis Guild, Wakefield, scheduled for July 21, 22 and 23, will be restricted to the use of M-1 Garands, with the exception of the Reising Match. At this early date there are only nine remaining reservations.....
Five medals that belonged to our late member, Walter Wait, were brought to the Club by Harold Morrill, and are now on display in our Trophy Room.

A LAST THOUGHT

Have you sent your check for \$4.00, made out to the National
Rifle Association, to our Secretary, John Weiss, 100 Baldwin Ave.,
Woburn? Can't think of an easier way to save a buck. The usual fee is \$5.00. This
applies to present members, as well as new.

C. U. on the Range, The Target Boy.



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Vol. VII, No. 5 - - April 1960

The next meeting of the Board of Directors will be held on Tuesday, May 3, 1960 at the Club.

HEAR! HEAR! If you have not yet paid your dues, better take care of it at once.

The deadline is May 1st, and if dues are not paid by then, the member is automatically suspended and has no further privileges of the Club. The list of suspended members will be posted at the Club. DON'T BE ON IT!

REMEMBER to register the name of your guest in the register book when you bring a friend to the Club. This is very important. Please cooperate.

THE GALLERY LEAGUE
Our Gallery team won the shoot-off for third place against
Arlington and picked up five N.R.A. trophies in the process.

John McDermott won a medal for high on the team, and J. Bullock, second high on the team. Incidentally, our team shot the highest score of the season in B Division in this shoot-off match. A new system will be tried out in the Gallery League this coming season. All teams will shoot in one Division, but with three classes using the Lewis System of scoring. Won't have to worry about averages any longer.

TRYOUT MATCHES

Our first tryout match at the Club was on Saturday, April 9th. It was so popular that the members wanted to continue the shooting program every Saturday. So-o-o-o, we will give it a try and see how it works out. Everyone is welcome, so come up this Saturday, the 23rd, and enjoy the fun. From all indications, it looks as if we will have two teams entered in the Eastern Massachusetts matches. We need a few more shooters as alternates. Oh yes, our pistol team had a match with the Air Force team on Tuesday, April 12th. How did we make out? Well, we found out that more practice - much more - was in order!

AND NOW THERE ARE FIVE! A fifth child was born into the family of our Secretary,

Jack Weiss on March 21st Wouldn't it be nice if the

Club could be represented in the Community Basketball League in the near future?

Jack has the team!

A NEW CLUB HOUSE

Your Board of Directors went on record in favor of building a new Clubhouse at their last meeting. A committee was appointed to work out the details. No doubt there will be a special meeting called in the near future, at which time all members will have the opportunity of expressing their wishes on this very important subject.

WHY NOT come up any Sunday and qualify? Free ammo is offered, and you get a chance to get some practice and meet your fellow members.

THIS 'N THAT

The sale of the piece of land we sold on Route 128 has been completed, and we have been paid in full... If you are the last one to leave the Club, be sure that all lights are turned off, and the oil burner also... Have you joined the N.R.A. yet? There is no better time than RIGHT NOW! Contact the Secretary and he will take care of it for you promptly. Another leaflet of interest is included in this Bulletin.... Another match has been scheduled by the Pistol team. They are to meet the Tewksbury Club on April 26th.

SPRING IS HERE and the Gerrish Match can be fired on any Saturday, Sunday or holiday. Any .22 calibre rim fire rifle, any sights, any position, two highest ten shots strings to count. Ten cents per 10-shot string. Pete Matson says he hopes there will be more competition this year - it gets monotonous winning it year after year!

NOTE THIS CHANGE

The Massachusetts Civilian match usually shot at Curtiss Guild at the United Service Matches, will be shot at the Reading Club on May 22nd. Course of fire will be 20 shots at 200 yards, N.R.A. standing. Any rifle with metallic sights, not containing glass. No Schutzen buttplates, palm rests or hooks allowed. Entry fee, \$1.00. Contact Bob Johnston for more information and registration.

C. U. on the Range,
The Target Boy.



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MASSACHUSETTS RIFLE ASSOCIATION Vol. VII, No. 6 - May 1960

The next meeting of the Board of Directors will be held on Tuesday, June 7th, 1960, 8:00 p.m. at the Club.

SURVEY Mr. Olson, the surveyor we engaged to survey the property last fall, has completed the job. We came out better than most everyone expected! We now have 42 acres, (+ or -). The cost to the Club was \$1960., which was also better than was expected.

We all owe a vote of thanks to our recent new member Hank Bainbridge, who kindly volunteered to make up six extra copies of the plan of the property. You will enjoy meeting Hank.

OUR APOLOGIES.... for being late in getting the last bulletin to you. It seems this class of mail takes much longer to get through the Post Office. We were to blame, not the printer.

Our second Try-Out Match was a success; we had a total of 23 entries in the two matches and everyone had a good time. The lucky prize winners were, A. White, K. Perry, J. Holden, Pete Matson and R. Tarbox.

We have three teams entered in the Eastern Massachusetts Matches at Curtis Guild. We can use a few more shooters to fill in for the absentees. Three more matches remain - May 14, June 11, and June 18. This series of Matches is more popular each year. 32 teams competed in the last Match. Our A team was #13, B Team, #29, C Team, #30. Our B and C Teams could have made a much better showing were it not for two absentees.

PLEASE - - TURN OFF THE LIGHTS IF YOU ARE THE LAST TO LEAVE THE RANGE!!!

MOONLIGHT MATCHES

The Moonlight Matches at North Reading start on Wednesday, May

11th and continue each Wednesday Through September 21st. These

matches are well attended, and really test your stamina.

THE MASSACHUSETTS CIVILIAN RIFLE MATCH

United Service Matches in July, but this year it will be held at the Reading Rifle and Revolver Club range, Haverhill Street, Reading, on SUNDAY, MAY 22, 1960 from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

The course of fire will be 2 sighting shots, and 20 shots for record, 200 yards off-hand, "A" Target, with V Ring, V's to count. It is open to all civilians and members of the Eastern Mass. Rifle League. The entry fee is \$1.00. Advance entries will be squadded. Post entries will be accepted subject to range limitations. Entries close at 12:30 p.m. Any rifle with metallic sights not containing glass may be used. Schutzen butt plates, palm rests or hooks NOT allowed. The Eastern Mass. Rifle League is donating the awards for first, second and third places. There will be awards for first place in Class B and Class C, as determined by the Lewis System. Special Award for High Lady: Custody of the Jennie McNeill Ham Trophy, presented by Ralph McNeill in memory of his sister. An award for permanent possession. Send entry blank and \$1.00 to Mrs. Eleanor N. Johnston, 29 Pitcher Ave., Medford 55.

HEAR, HEAR! Pete Matson really performed a miraculous feat on Sunday, May 1st, when he posted a 10 X possible on the Gerrish Match. Who would believe that the 22 long rifle cartridge with such an extremely high trajectory is capable of shooting 10 consecutive shots into a 2" circle at 200 yards? Pete says that quite a few of the members have the necessary equipment to duplicate this feat with a little more concentration.

SICK LIST: You will be glad to hear that our popular member, Randall Smith, is improving as well as can be expected after a severe attack of some sort of ailment that seriously affected his eyesight. We sincerely hope your recovery will be more rapid from now on, Randy!...Joe Holden has had a bout with the virus, but is now on the road to recovery. Will be glad to see you around again, Joe!.... Cap. Gerrish can neither see nor hear very well, but he does enjoy having someone to talk to. His address: Kirby Rest Home, 50 Madison Street, Malden. Best wishes to you, Cap!

NEW MEMBERS: A welcome to James Ramsay and Jack Mardigian. Good shooting!

The Target Boy



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Vol. VII, No. 7 --- June 1960

The next regular meeting of the Board of Directors will be held on Tuesday, July 5, 1960, 8:00 p.m. at the Club.

Your Executive Committee, after many meetings and hours of deliberation, has completed the task of combining our two sets of By-Laws into one, a copy of which will be presented to the Board of Directors for approval at a special meeting this month.

After this necessary formality, there will be a meeting of the entire membership, at which we sincerely hope you will make a point to be present. This will be a very important meeting, as it concerns each and every one of us.

You will be notified of the time and place later.

SAFETY At our Board meeting in May, it was decided that more height and width was necessary at our 200 yard backstop.

A contractor was engaged to do the work and this project is now completed.

Our shooting activities are now more safe than they have been for a long time. "The higher a mountain is, the more difficult it becomes to shoot over it!"

REGISTER It is very important that you register your name and also the name of your guest before you start to shoot. Failure to comply is a violation of Club rules. We hope we will not be compelled to impose penalties.

MATCHES
Your Range Committee has set up a schedule of sixteen (16) matches, the first of which is on June 26th, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., the conditions of which are as follows:

22 R.F. - Any sights - 200 yards - Prone - Small bore target, 5 sighters - 50 shots for record. Entry fee - \$1.00

You can get a copy of a complete program of these matches at the Club.

HOTSHOTS Eldridge Kidder is shooting some fabulous groups with his 30-06, on which he recently had a new barrel installed.

On Sunday, May 12th, he shot a five-shot group at 100 yards that measured less than 1/4"; and followed this feat with a ten X possible at 200 yards.

His ammo was all his own make with lead bullets which he cast himself.

Cap Gerrish just celebrated his 93rd birthday, and enjoys the visits and cards from the various members who find time to think of him. The Board of Directors made him a present of an electric razor.... Randy Smith continues to improve slowly, although he can not yet drive his car.

ARE YOU A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION? IN A LEAFLET RECENTLY MAILED TO YOU, THERE ARE FIFTEEN GOOD REASONS WHY YOU SHOULD BELONG. IF NOT, WHY NOT? NOW IS THE TIME!

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Vol. VII, No. 8 --- July 1960

The next regular meeting of the Board of Directors will be held on Tuesday, August 2, 1960, 8:00 p.m. at the Club.

SPECIAL MEETING:

A meeting of the entire membership will be held on Tuesday,
July 26, 1960, at the Club at 8:00 p.m. Each voting member
of the Club will receive a copy of the Revised By-Laws previous to this date.
We ask that you please take time out to read them through at your earliest convenience, check any corrections or omissions you believe to be constructive, and bring your copy to the meeting with you.

Your Executive Committee has given many hours of thought and consideration to this project. Please show your appreciation of their efforts by your presence at this very important meeting.

You will also have the opportunity to express your views on the proposed new Club House, if time permits.

MATCHES The fifth and last match of the Eastern Massachusetts League match was shot at Curtis Guild, Reading, on June 18th. Thirty four teams competed this year. Our three teams finished in 13th, 27th and 29th places. Matson, Perry and McCue made high average on the team.

On Sunday, June 26th, we shot the first of a series of matches at the Club. There were nine entries, and every one had a good time, even though it was a very strenuous match. Dick Tarbox was first in A; Doc Stetson, second. Ken Perry was first in B; and Jack Weiss, second.

Our next match will be shot at the Club on July 17th. This is the Free Rifle, M.R.A. Eighty-Fifth Anniversary Shoot, which allows any rifle, any sights, any off-hand position. 30 shots - 200 yards. German Ring Target with 12-inch black. Entry \$1.00.

On Saturday, July 30th, the Danforth Cup Match will be held. 22 R.F. - any iron sights, prone - N.R.A. Targets. 10 shots, 50 yards, 10 at 100 yards and 10 at 200 yards.

On Sunday, August 7th, the Small Bore, 4-Position Match will be held. Any 22 R.F. rifle, any sights, 10 shots each, prone, sitting, kneeling and off-hand.

On Saturday, August 13th, the Davis Cup match is to be held. Military Rifle, Receiver Sights allowed. Sitting position - "A" target (300 yard reduced to 200) No sighters, 10 shots, slow fire

We are also shooting the Knight Trophy Match. 20 shots prone, 10 shots off-hand, 200 yards, extended arm, 22 R.F. iron sights. Re-entry, 25¢. May be shot any time. And, of course, the Gerrish Match can be fired at any time also.

Get your complete copy of all matches through October 16th at the Club.

Some time during the month of August, the Entertainment Committee is planning a cook-out at the Club. More details on this later.

OUR NEW MEMBERS

We welcome as members, Francis McCue, Maurice Negrini and Dudley B. Hartung. Greet 'em when you meet 'em!

IMPROVEMENT SHOWN
On Sunday, July 10th, we had a good turnout at the Club.
Eighteen members were present, which is better attendance than we have had for some time. Come on up, it's your club!

....and don't forget the meeting on July 26th. You'll hear from us again before that meeting.

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Vol. VII, No. 8 - August 1960

The next meeting of the Board of Directors will be held on Tuesday, September 6, 1960, at the Club.

A THANK YOU

The Work Committee did a good job on the brush and grass cutting project at little cost to the Club. Last year this same project cost the Club in the neighborhood of \$90.00. This year, thanks to the efforts of Jimmy Smith, Arthur White and Hank Bainbridge, the cost to the club was \$14.40. Our Club is indeed fortunate to have such loyal members.

The Range Committee, too, is very pleased at the response to the various projects listed on the blackboard. Thanks a million to Jimmy Newman, Arthur White, Jimmy Smith, Hank Bainbridge, and all others who contributed to the various projects.

MATCHES
On July 17th, we held our 85th Anniversary Shoot at the Club. There were fourteen entries. Doc Stetson won the match with a score of 626. Ken Perry was second with 614, Frank Palumbo was first in B Division with 527 and Jim O'Neill was second with 523. Others who shot were Dick Wong, 611, A. White, 559, Pete Matson, 538, Frank McCue, 537, Hank Bainbridge, 530, Joe Smith, 518, Jim Newman, 492, E. M. Kidder, 469 and Jack Weiss, 236. Jack had tough luck with his rifle and could not finish.

The Danforth Match, which was rained out on the 30th, was shot on August 6th. There were seven entries. Pete Matson was first with 286-8, Jack Weiss, second, 282-3, Bill Cullen was first in B with 275-4, Hank Bainbridge, second with 273-3. Others who shot were Arthur White, 280-7, Ken Perry, 272-2, and Frank McCue, 247-3.

On Sunday, August 7th, we shot the Four-Position Match. There were seven entries. Dick Wong was first with 386-15, W. Higgins second with 372-9. Frank Palumbo was first in B with 331, Arthur White, second, 330-3. Others were Dick Tarbox, 356-6, Hank Bainbridge, 319-3, and Jack Weiss, 294-2. We expect the medals for the lucky winners some time this month.

Your Range Committee is quite disappointed at the lack of interest of the shooting members of the Club towards our match program. The success of any Club program is dependent first on the member participation. They suggest that you read the following at least twice....

WHICH ARE YOU

Are you an active member, the kind that would be missed,
Or are you just contented that your name is on the list?
Do you attend the matches, and mingle with the flock,
Or do you stay at home and criticize and knock?
Do you take an active part to help the work along,
Or are you satisfied to be the kind that "just belong?"
Do you ever go to visit a member who is sick,
Or leave the work to just a few and talk about the clique?
There's quite a program scheduled that I'm sure you've heard about,
And we'll appreciate it if you will come and help us out.
So come to the matches often and help with hand and heart,
Don't be just a member, but take an active part.
Think this over, brother, you know right from wrong,
Are you an active member - or do you just belong?

There are eleven matches remaining to be shot, and no doubt some of them will be right down your alley. You can get a complete copy of the schedule at the Club!

F-L-A-S-H!! F-L-A-S-H!! The medals have just arrived from Blackington. They will be awarded at the Cook-Out (mentioned below) to

the lucky winners!

The Rangekeeper's quarters are badly in need of painting and papering. If there are any of our members who can do this kind of work, please get in touch with Pete Matson at once.

THE COOKOUT On Sunday, September 11, 1960, your Entertainment Committee will put on a Cookout at the Club. The menu will include half barbecued chicken, native corn on the cob(if available) tossed salad, bread and rolls, butter, coffee and ice cold watermelon. For those who don't care for chicken there will be sliced Virginia baked ham with potato salad. Free tonic for the children. We eat at 2:30 p.m. The cost Adults, \$2.50; children, 50¢ There will be games for the children with prizes and liquid refreshments will be available at the club at a nominal fee. This event will be held RAIN or SHINE! Send the enclosed card back no later than September 3rd, with remittance.

Bulletin of the Massachusetts Rifle Association, Woburn, Massachusetts

OUR ANNUAL MEETING
Our Annual Meeting for the election of officers and directors and such other business as shall properly come before the meeting, will be held at the Club on Tuesday, October 4th, 1960, at 8:00 p.m.

The Secretary and the Treasurer will make complete reports at this meeting. During the past year your Board of Directors has seen fit to approve a program of greatly increased activity in the shooting program of the Club. Your Range Committee has set up a program of 17 matches, 11 of which have already been shot. Thirty-eight medals and awards have been presented to the participants of these matches.

In addition, activity in the Gerrish Match, and the Knight Trophy Match, has been greatly increased over previous years. At this writing, this program has had the effect of greatly increased interest on the part of not only our present members, but non-members as well who have competed in this program. Without question, this program will attract new members to our Club. Four new applications were presented at the last Board meeting.

This is a VERY IMPORTANT MEETING to you and Your Club. As a voting member, it is not only your right, but your duty to signify by your vote whether or not you approve of this program.

Mark the date on your calendar - October 4, 1960 - 8:00 p.m. Please be present

....AND THE RAINS CAME On Sunday, September 11th, the Entertainment Committee put on a cookout at the Club grounds. In spite of the bad weather (it rained cats and dogs), we had a very good attendance - 41 adults and 39 children. Everyone had a very good time and enjoyed a delicious dinner prepared by our very capable Entertainment Committee. We put on games and contests for the children, and awarded prizes, of which we had plenty. Whitey Kruger, of Whitey's Sportland, 305 Broadway, Arlington, very kindly donated three very nice prizes. Whitey is a very loyal member of our Club. Congratulations and 'thanks a million' to all who contributed to this very successful affair.

THE GALLERY LEAGUE
Once again it is time to organize our Gallery Team. If you are interested in taking part in this series of matches, please contact Pete Matson at once. The date of the first match has not yet been announced, but no doubt it will be in the early part of November. This does not leave us much time for practice. If you're interested, we'd like to have you.

PISTOL TEAM

We have organized a pistol team this year and have entered the Class D

Division of the Greater Boston Pistol League. Of course, we need more
members to participate in this activity as members of our team. The first match is
to be held on October 18th. Any interested shooters please contact Richard Dawson,
27 Evergreen Avenue, Bedford, or Jack Weiss.

Our MATCHES

On August 13th we shot the Davis Cup Match, which turned out to be the most successful of the series so far. There were 17 entries. The match was won by Bob Johnston with a score of 48-5. Charlie Button, one of our target boys, was second with 46-1. Frank Palumbo was first in B with 41-2, and Jack Weiss was second with 39-3. Others who shot were Hank Bainbridge, 45-4, Pete Matson, 45-2, Ken Perry, 44-5, Dick Wong, 43-3, W. Higgins, 42-1, F. McCue, 41-3, Bob McCue, 39-2, George Kerivan, 39, H. Thompson 38-1, Arthur White, 37, Dick Tarbox, 36, and G. Sousa, 20-1.

We also had a hand gun match on August 13th. There were 13 entries. This match was won by Sgt. Olson, from Hanscom Field, Bedford, with a score of 560-15. Dick Dawson was the winner in B with 506-11. Others who shot were W. Higgins, 521-4, Don Slessler, 492-11, H. Thompson, 348, Jack Weiss, 432, Frank Palumbo, 453-4, Lt. Jos. Doherty, 538-10, T. McLennan, 560-15, Bob Johnston 521-10, N. Richmond, 529-4, Dick Wong, 498-6, and A. White, 457-3

On August 21st we shot the Zorn Match. There were 11 entries. It was won by W. Higgins with a score of 289-4. John Ramsay was second with 288-21. C. Button was first in B. with 282-12, John Bullock, second with 273-3. Others who shot were A. White, 286-9, W. Cullen, 284-13, Pete Matson, 284-9, Dick Wong, 268-12, H. Thompson, 262-4, F. McCue, 251, and G. Kerivan, 157-DNF.

We also shot a 45 Automatic Match on August 21st. It was won by Jos. Doherty, Jr., 283-7, Lenox Karner was second with 279-10. J. O'Neill was first in B with 193-1, Pete Matson second with 183-1. Others who shot were Lt. Jos. Doherty 261-4, W. Higgins, 215-1, A. White, 167, J. Bullock, 148-1 and H. Thompson, 115.

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On Sunday, August 28th, we shot the Lambert Cup Match. This match was won by W. Higgins with a score of 146. Ross Hysom was second with 134. Joe Doherty, Jr., was first in B with 98, A. White was second with 90. Others who shot were Jack Weiss, 88, Lt. Joe Doherty, 81, J. Bullock, 124-2, Pete Matson, 80, H. Bainbridge, 98, W. Rapp, 47, and J. O'Neill, 100-1.

Most of the medals were awarded to the winners of these and previous matches at the cookout on Sunday, September 11th. Those who were not present at the presentation, can pick up their awards at the Club.

COMING MATCHES

On Sunday, September 18th - 10:00-4:00 p.m., we held a small bore open shoot. This was for 22 R.F. - any sights - re-entry - decimal target, 200 yards. Two best scores to count. No. 1 - 10 shots prone; No. 2 - 10 shots offhand. Aggregate of prone and off-hand. Cash prizes - 35%, 20%, 10%. Extra to high iron. Entry - 25¢ per 10 shot string.

On Sunday, September 25th - 1:00-5:00 p.m. - Swiss Match. Any 22 R.F. Rifle - Any sights - Prone, C-5 Target - 200 yards. No sighters, miss and out.

On Sunday, October 2nd - 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. - Creedmoor Cup. Free rifle - any sights - any off-hand position - 30 shots at 200 yards on Standard American Targets.

On Sunday, October 9th - 2:00-4:30 p.m. - the Gibson Cup.

Any rifle - No hooked buttplates - no palm rests.

Iron sights - 2 sighters - 20 shots for record - "A" target - 200 yards - off-hand

Sunday, October 16th - 1:00-4:30 p.m. - McGovern Cup.

Any rifle - any iron sights - military off-hand - 200 yards - "A" Target 2 sighting shots - 15 shots for record.

A SPECIAL NOTICE

We reminded you of this at the time of our last "Bull Gun".

Once again we mention that qualifications may, and should be, fired in the very near future.

This is very important to the Club. Thirty qualified last year. We'd like to double that figure this year.

HAVE YOU QUALIFIED YET?

.... And don't forget the Annual Meeting, Tuesday evening, October 4th, 1960.

See you at the Annual,

The Target Boy

Bulletin of the MASSACHUSETTS RIFLE ASSOCIATION, Woburn, Massachusetts.

OUR ANNUAL MEETING

We held our Annual Meeting at the Club on October 4, 1960. There were 33 members present, and the following members

were elected:

President First Vice President Second Vice President Secretary Treasurer E. P. Matson Arthur R. White Thomas Scott John E. Weiss John F. Roberts

Three Years

Thomas Scott Joseph E. Doherty Winthrop R. Cutts Harold E. Thompson John E. Bullock

DIRECTORS Two Years

Thomas Driscoll E. P. Matson Richard M. Tarbox Arthur R. White Herbert L. Phillips

One Year

Lt. Col. James E. O'Neill Lester H. Mann Randall S. Smith John O. McDermott Fred W. Frizzell

Refreshments were served after the meeting. Your President wishes to thank one and all for your loyal support of our present program of activity.

SAD NEWS We regret to announce the passing of our popular member, Cap. Gerrish, on Friday, October 1, 1960, at the Buchanan Rest Home in Malden, at the age of 93 years. He will be missed and remembered for a long time.

HEAR THIS

IT HAS COME TO THE ATTENTION OF THE RANGE COMMITTEE THAT SOME SHOOTER IS NOT CONTENT TO SHOOT AT TARGETS, AND DE-LIBERATELY SHOOTS HOLES IN OUR NEW NUMBERS AT 200 YARDS.

BE WARNED that any recurrence of this practice will be reported to the Board of Directors for action.

THE MATCHES

On Sunday we held a small bore open shoot, 22 R.F., any sights, re-entry, decimal target, 200 yds., 10 shots prone, 10 shots offhand, aggregate of prone and off-hand. Cash prizes. The winner was W. Higgins, 192-8, R. Rice, 190-5, was second, and J. Bullock, 175-2, was winner of high iron. Others who shot were R. Tarbox 182-5; F. McCue 179-4; W. Cullen 179-2; Pete Matson 177-5, F. Palumbo 173-1; R. McCue 164-3, H. Bainbridge 163-3, G. Kerivan 158, and A. White 146-1.

On Sunday, September 25th, we shot the Swiss Match. Any R.F. rifle, any sights, prone, C-5 target, 200 yards, no sighters - miss and out. This match was won by W. Cullen with a score of 82-61Vs., and he was still in the black. He just got tired shooting fives and Vs. (He shot Pete Matson's rifle). R. Wong was second with 44-32Vs; A. White was the winner of "B" with a score of 4; R. E. Rice was second in "B" with 2-1V. Others who shot were Pete Matson 21-15Vs; C. Apalakis 18-13Vs; C. Button 11-8Vs, J. Bullock 7-5Vs, W. Higgins 2-1V, F. McCue 1; G. Kerivan O; and J. Weiss, O.

We also had a 200 yd. re-entry match on the decimal target on September 25th. This match was won by Pete Matson with 50-4X; R. Rice was second with 49-1X; A. White was third with 49-1X. Others were W. Cullen, 48-2X and W. Higgins, 48-2X.

On Sunday, October 2nd, we shot the Creedmoor Cup Match - Free rifle, any sights, any off-hand position, 30 shots at 200 yards, on Standard American targets. This match was won by R. Wong with a score of 243. Pete Matson was second with 239, J. M. Smith was first in "B" with 230, Doc Stetson, second with 221. Others who shot were R. Rice, 235; W. Higgins, 231, R. Hysom, 195, and J. O'Neill, 138.

On Sunday, October 10th, we shot the Gibson Cup Match - Any rifle, iron sights, two sighters, 20 shots for record on the A Target at 200 yards. This match was won by J. M. Smith with a score of 98-5; W. Higgins was second with 97-2. Pete Matson was first in "B" with 88-3; R. Hysom was second with 88-1. Others were R. Tarbox 96-4; L. Mann, 94-2; R. Rice, 94; J. Bullock 91-2; Hank Bainbridge 91; G. Kerivan 87-2; A. White 87; H. Thompson 84-4; J. Weiss 78-1, T. Scott 77; F. Palumbo, 74.

We also had a 200 yd. re-entry match which was won by A. White with 25-2, W. Higgins was second with 25-1, and J. M. Smith was first in "B" with 24-2.

There are two matches remaining to be fired to complete our summer schedule. They are the McGovern Cup Match on Sunday, October 16th (now fired); and on October 23rd we will shoot the 200 yd. SBOH Match which was originally scheduled for September 11th, and was postponed because of the cook-out. The time is 10:00 am to 5:00 p.m. 22 R.F., any iron sights, off-hand, A targets, 5 sighters, 50 shots for record. We also plan NRA Sighting-In Days on October 16 and 23rd. On Sunday, November 20th we will hold a Turkey Shoot, plus two re-entry matches for both pistol and rifle. We are planning a BIG day, beginning at 10:00 a.m. Targets 35¢ each, 3 for \$1.00. Complete details can be obtained at the Club.

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HOLD EVERYTHING!

THE PISTOL TEAM FINALLY WON A MATCH - THEIR FIRST. The Parkway Club was the victim. Now that you've started, let's keep on.

GALLERY RIFLE AND PISTOL MATCHES

Your Range Committee has set up a schedule of
Rifle and Pistol Re-entry Matches to be run
from October 1960 through March 1961. These matches will be for members only, and
we hope they will prove to be very popular. A complete schedule will be posted on
the bulletin board of the Club.

INCIDENTALLY Members of the Pistol team practice every Tuesday night.

LEARN TO SHOOT

(A reprint of an article in the September 1960 issue of "Precision Shooting", taken from an editorial appearing in the Rutland, Vermont, Herald. It is to the point, sensible and sound.)

"Those who are trained to use firearms properly know how to use them so that they and others will be safe. They will also get more game, if they know how to shoot, and if they know how to shoot only when they can see and identify what they are shooting at."

That is saying a lot in a few words. Newspaper editors are sensible people—they have to be. Probably many of them have little if any personal familiarity with firearms and their use. If it may be explained to them that training in the use of firearms, and practice with them to develop skill in their use, is of the same importance as is proper training and practice in the driving of an automobile, and in each case, understanding of the implement gained from training and skill in use developed by practice contributes to the safety of both the user and others, they should be able to see the point. It then should not be too hard to convince them that some editorial promotion for firearms training is a public service and within their service traditions.

An anti-firearms sentiment among the general public is just as harmful to we crazy target shooters as to any other section of the shooting fraternity, and we should each accept a personal responsibility for having our case fairly presented in the court of public opinion.

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MASSACHUSETTS RIFLE ASS'N. - 300 SALEM STREET - WOBURN, MASS. The Walnut Hill Range

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 1960 - 10:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.

MATCH *1. -

LUCKY TARGET SHOOT; RE-ENTRY Rifles and Ammo furnished 3 shots at 50 ft. Best score to count.

TARGETS - 35¢ each, 3 for \$1.00

MATCH #2.-

RE-ENTRY; ANY RIFLE; IRON SIGHTS No hooked buttplates or palm rests. 5 shots at 200 yds; OH; "A" Target Best two 5-shot strings to count

MATCH #3.-

RE-ENTRY; HAND GUN 5 shots - slow fire at 50 yds. N.R.A. Targets

Best two 5-shot strings to count

REGISTRATION FEES

MATCH #1 - No Fee

MATCH #2 and #3

50¢ fee registers shooter for both.

Entry fee - per 5-shot string - 50¢

PRIZES

MATCH #1 Turkeys

MATCH #2 Cash Prizes

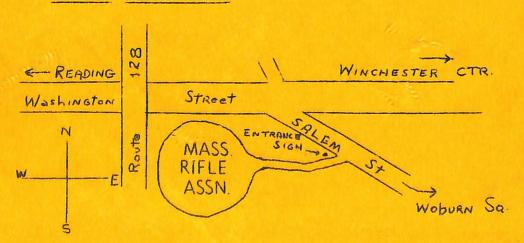
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First - 35% Entry Fee Second - 20% " "

First "B" - 10% Entry Fee (Lewis System)

MATCH #3 Entries Split Same as Match #2

RANGE LOCATION



Bulletin of the MASSACHUSETTS RIFLE ASSOCIATION, Woburn, Massachusetts.

The next meeting of the Board of Directors will be held on Tuesday, December 6, 1960, at the Club

THE MATCHES On Sunday, October 16th, we shot the McGovern Cup Match - any rifle, any iron sights, military off-hand, 200 yards, "A" target, 2 sighters, 15 shots for record.

The match was won by Pete Matson with a score of 67-2; Hank Bainbridge was second with 65-1; Dick Wong was first in "B", with 60; F. McCue was second with 59. Others who shot were Tom Scott with 65-1; W. Higgins, 65; A. White, 63-1; J. Cullen, 63; H. Thompson, 61; R. McCue, 58; G. Kerivan, 57; D. Tarbox, 56; J. Weiss, 55; and G. Sousa, with 39.

We also shot a re-entry match which was won by A. White with a score of 24-1; W. Higgins was second with 24.

In addition to these two matches, we also held our first of the two N.R.A. Hunter Sighting-In Days, which turned out to be very successful, as 32 enthusiastic deer hunters took advantage of the two day event. We not only signed up several new NRA members, but added several new members to our roster.

On Sunday, October 23rd we shot the 200 yd. S.B.O.H. Match, 22 RF, any iron sights, off-hand, "A" target, 5 sighters - 50 shots for record.

The match was won by Dick Wong with a score of 242-11; R. Rice was second with 240-6. H. Bainbridge was first in "B" with 226-3; R. Tarbox was second with 225-5. Others who shot were J. Bullock, 236-7; W. Higgins, 235-14, Ken Perry, 226-6, A. White, 223-5, Pete Matson, 222-2; R. Hysom, 220-1, and H. Thompson, 218-3. We also held the second of our NRA Hunter Sighting-In Days.

This was the last match of our summer schedule, but there is still time for you to shoot the Gerrish and Knight Trophy Matches.

Our Pistol Team won the second match of the season when they out-shot the Melrose team.

TURKEY SHOOT On Sunday, November 20th, we will hold a Turket Shoot: Lucky targets, Re-entry, Rifles and Ammo. furnished, 3 shots at 50 ft. Best score to count. Targets, 35¢ each, 3 for \$1.00.

In addition we will have two Re-Entry Matches, as follows:

Re-Entry, Any rifle, iron sights, no hooked buttplates or palm rests. 5 shots at 200 yards, o.h., "A" target. Best two 5-shot strings to count.

Re-Entry: Hand gun, 5 shots slow fire at 50 yards. NRA targets, best two 5-shot strings to count.

Registration fees - Match #1 - No fee. Match #2 and #3, 50¢ fee registers shooter for both. Entry fee - per 5-shot string - 50¢

Prizes: Match #1 - Turkeys. Match #2 - Cash prizes of 65% returned - First, 35%; Second, 20%. First "B", 10% entry fee (Lewis System). Match #3, Entries split same as Match #2.

The Chairman of the Range Committee requests that all members be present at this shoot, and any others who care to assist in this program. Activities start at 10:00 a.m., and we can use plenty of help.

GALLERY LEAGUE The first match of the season will be December 2nd, but the place has not yet been determined. Complete information will be available about November 20th.

NOTE It has come to the attention of the Range Committee that targets are being discarded with only two or three centers used. If this practice continues, the Range Committee will report same to the Board of Directors, with the recommendation that targets be charged for.

ATTENTION - ALL RIFLE SHOOTERS Wednesday night is practice night!

ATTENTION - ALL PISTOL SHOOTERS Tuesday night is practice night!

Qualifications - Time is running out fast, but you can still make it if you make a determined effort. It costs you nothing - we give you the ammo. for 'no', and it will be a big help to your club.

Six new members were accepted pending approval by the Membership Committee. We will give you their names in the next issue.

The following committees were appointed by the President and accepted by the Board of Directors:

RANGE COMMITTEE:

H. Thompson, Chairman
H. Bainbridge, F. McCue, R. Tarbox, A, White
F. Palumbo, J. B. Stetson, R. Dawson.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE:

Joseph E. Doherty, Chairman A. White, J. Bullock.

Trap Shooting Committee:

T. Scott, Chairman R. Corsetti, F. McCue, H. Thompson.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

J. O'Neill, Chairman
J. Roberts, E. P. Matson, J. Doherty,
Col. Nash, H. L. Phillips.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

L. Mann, F. Frizzell, R. Smith.

ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE:

A. White, Chairman
R. Heberling, T. Driscoll, J. Weiss, J. McDermott,
C. Cutts, W. Cryer, H. Bainbridge, G. Kerivan
K. E. Perry, R. Hysom, W. H. Kruger.

SICK COMMITTEE:

E. P. Matson, J. Weiss, H. Bainbridge.

BUILDING COMMITTEE:

T. Scott, Chairman H. Thompson, J. Doherty, J. Holden Jack Weiss, A. White.

COMMITTEE FOR SALE AND ADJUSTMENT OF CLUB PROPERTIES:

E. P. Matson, Chairman
J. E. Doherty, A. White, H. E. Nelson, J. Weiss

That's all for now!

The Target Boy.

TURKEY SHOOT RESULTS

Match #1 - Re-Entry, Gallery Rifle - 3 shots on Lucky Targets....

PRIZES; A 12-1b. Turkey per Relay.

First Relay Arthur White
Second Relay Frank Palumbo
Third Relay Harold Thompson
Fourth Relay Richard White
Fifth Relay Esther White
Sixth Relay E. P. Matson

Match #2 - Re-Entry, Any Rifle, Iron Sights - 5 shots Off-hand on the "A" Target at 200 yards.

Best two 5-shot strings to count.

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 Winner
 Dr. J. Stetson
 50-5v
 65% of Entry Fee

 Second - "A"
 M. Willows
 50-3v
 20%
 " " " "

 First- Class "B"
 G. Kerivan
 44-1v
 10%
 " " "

(Three way tie for Second "A" Broken by Backers

M. Willows - 25-2v - 25-1v - 25-1v - 25-25 50,3v C. Apalakis 25-2v - 25-1v - 25 50,3v R. Rice 25-2v - 25-1v - 25 50,3v

Match #3 - Re-Entry, hand gun, N.R.A. Target - 5 shots at 50 yards.

Best two 5-shot strings

Winner J. Doherty, Jr 94 65% of Entry fees Second - "A" R. McCue 89 20% of " " First- Class "B" R. Hysom 76 10% of " "

Match #4 - Re-Entry, Any Rifle, Iron Sights - One shot Off-hand on the German Ring Target at 200 yards.

First Relay J. Smith 25 12 lb. Turkey Second Relay R. Spinazola 25 * 12 lb. Turkey C. Apalakis 25* 12 lb. Turkey

* Due to darkness, it was not possible to hold a shoot-off to break the tie in the Second Relay. For this reason, duplicate prizes were awarded.

OTHER FIRED SCORES of Competitive Matches

Match #2		Match #3	as at a	Ma	tch #4
L. Mann	50-lv	H. A. Greene	81	First Relay	Second Relay
A. Mitchell	50-lv	K. Allen	81	C. Apalakis	24 J. Stetson 24
W. Cullen	49-2v	J. Weiss	78	H.A.Greene	22 J.Bullock 22
R. Hysom	46	J.Doherty, Sr.	69	L. Mann	21 L. Mann 21
J. Bullock	45-1v	A. Moss	62	J.Bullock	21 A. White 20
H. Bainbridge	43	D. Moulton	56	J. Stetson	20 R. Tarbox 18
H.A.Greene	40-lv	S. Vasel	21	A. Cushman	20 B.Gould 18
A. White	39	ON HAND MOTTORS POST		R. Hysom	20 G.Garber 14
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We also had a 12-1b. Turkey for a Door Prize.

The lucky winner was Jack Weiss.

COMING EVENTS

Gerrish Match

Ends December 31st

Re-Entry - Any .22 RF Rifle, Any sights, Any position, including Bench Rest - 20 shots at 200 yds. on the Decimal Target

D. A. KNIGHT MATCH

Ends December 31st

Re-Entry - Any .22 RF Rifle, Iron sights - 20 shots prone and 10 shots Off-hand - Decimal Target at 200 yards.

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GALLERY RIFLE MATCHES

End March 31st

Re-Entry:

#1 - 20 shots Prone

#2 - 20 shots Sitting

#3 - 20 shots Kneeling

#4 - 20 shots Off-hand

Any .22 N.R.A. Match Rifle - Any sights

GALLERY PISTOL MATCHES

End March 31st

Re-Entry: #1 - 20 shots Slow; #2 - 20 shots Timed; #3 - 20 shots Rapid

Targets fired in League Competitions may be used in the Gallery Matches All Matches above may be fired at any time the Club Ranges are available Additional information on all of the above matches posted at the Club.

REPAIRS NEEDED Our Trophy Room needs new supports to hold it up. It has settled about 4". Also, the butt house needs repairs to the floor and roof. Any member who has the time and qualifications to do this work, please get in touch with Pete Matson at once.

NEW MEMBERS

The following new members were voted in at the last Board meeting....

Burton Gould, James A. Rose, Andrew Daland, Joe Monaco, John J. Black,
Sr., and Charles Wesley Watson, M.D. Greet them and make them feel
at home.

Three new applications were presented at the last meeting. We will make you acquainted with them in the next issue.

Our Counsel settled our case against the city for land taking for \$6,500.00.

At the last meeting the following appointments were made by the President:

Public Relations Officer
Whitey Kruger

To the Building Committee
John McDermott

There have been various infractions of the Club safety rules recently.

The rules are simple and to the point, and easily understood. Please read them and make yourselves and your guests acquainted with them. They are plainly posted in the Club room and the Gallery rooms.

QUALIFICATIONS

Present conditions are such that it is too late for outdoor qualifications. There is still a little time left for those who wish to qualify on the indoor range.

This may come as a surprise to some of our members, but the true facts are that the amount of ammo. available to the Club, and consequently each member, depends on the number of qualifications. Is your name on the list??

RICOCHETS

Frost in our backstops contributes to the serious hazard of ricochets.

Before participating in any outdoor pistol or rifle shooting, please
check with the Rangekeeper. He will give you the O. K. if conditions are safe.

M.R.A. - PEARL HARBOR

Did you by chance happen to be tuned in on the Documentary

Program on Channel 7 at 8:00 p.m. on December 7th? Our

popular member, John Bullock, was a Chief Petty Officer on one of our ships at Pearl

Harbor on that day of infamy, and gave a vivid eye witness description of the entire

action.

IN SPITE OF THE PRESENCE OF MANY NOTICES POSTED THROUGHOUT
THE CLUB, THERE ARE STILL SOME MEMBERS WHO NEGLECT TO REGISTER
BEFORE SHOOTING. WE HOPE IT WILL NOT BECOME NECESSARY TO IMPOSE PENALTIES FOR THIS INFRACTION OF THE RULES.

GREETINGS

Your President wishes to take this opportunity to wish all of the members and their families a

HAPPY HOLIDAY AND A

PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR !!!

The Target Boy